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Inventor(s) Maropis et al		Group Art Unit 2645
Title of Invention METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING PRE-PAID LOCAL TELEPHONE SERVICES		

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

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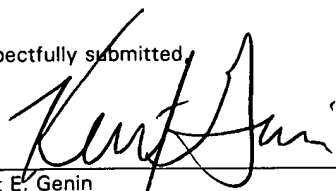
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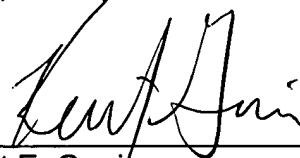
**EXPLANATION OF THE REFERENCES**

Applicants are filing this supplemental information disclosure statement after receipt of the first office action on the merits, therefore, a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed herewith. Should the enclosed check be insufficient, omitted or should any additional fees be deemed necessary under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to these material, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed.

Applicants further request that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of each reference. It is believed that none of these references, alone or in proper combination, discloses or suggests the subject matter claimed by Applicant.

Applicants do not represent any of these references to be prior art and Applicants reserve the right to disqualify any references by the showing of an earlier date of invention, if appropriate.

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